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FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT

Steve Harrison



Dear ILNA Members,

I have just left our ILNA Spring Board meeting held in Bradley, Illinois, and all I can say is there a swell of enthusiasm for our upcoming fall convention! Our theme this year, as suggested by Bill Burd of Chicago Coin Company, is "Knowledge through Numismatic Books." Our hobby allows us to not only learn about coins, but also the fascinating history behind who made them, where they were used, and the reason they came to be circulated from country to country. There has been an incredible amount of research done on just about every type of coin collected today. I think our upcoming show will not only be an enjoyment if you are there to purchase a coin for your collection, but also— with the help of some of the publication companies— be informative because of available literature to research coins of your choice.

On behalf of myself and the other ILNA board members I would like to welcome Mr. Bruce Perdue to the ILNA board to fill the last vacant board seat. I believe his experience in the numismatic industry will greatly enhance the final decisions our organization makes regarding upcoming topics. I look forward to working with him in the near future.

In other club news, I am happy to announce that we have signed up 173 new members within the last year, and lost only a small amount of members who have not renewed their memberships as of yet. We do, however, anticipate many of the renewals as part of our convention this September. The last thing we would ever want is to lose a member who is still interested in coins!

On the subject of interest in coins, the market still seems to be doing well with collectors, dealers and investors searching the floors of shows and going from store to store looking for new, fresh coins to enter the market. The metals market has taken a slight adjustment downward, but all indicators still point for an upward swing by the end of the year.

One final subject I would like to address: Membership, please consider the dates which are published in this *Digest* concerning our upcoming election. I believe our organization is headed in the right direction. We have a great group of Board Members and Officers working together with our membership to grow numismatics across our state and impact our hobby nationally. Through the efforts of Bourse Chair Jim Paicz and the support of our Board, our annual show is decidedly becoming one of the more anticipated numismatic events in the region. Strengthening ILNA's internet presence and improving our *Coin Digest* are only the first steps in evolving better communication among our members and clubs across the state. Our Board members share a vision for improving relationships not just on the local level, but also between state and national clubs to better promote the growth of our meaningful hobby.

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"President's Letter" continued from page 5.

With the help of your vote in this upcoming election— your affirmation of our efforts to establish ILNA's influence as a leader in our state and beyond— you can choose to become part of that growth. I would humbly return the favor of your commitment through acts of service designed to improve efficiency of our Board, promote unity among member clubs and enhance communication with and representation of our membership. Your voice is genuinely an asset to the greater development of our organization and its goals. Make it count! Please return your ballots by the posted dates.

We truly care whether you are happy with ILNA and hope our enthusiasm captures your attention. In each of my letters to you found in every *Digest* since I have been President, I always ask if any members have any suggestions or ideas— whatever you would like to share— please submit them without hesitation. Being a transparent club and always asking for everyone's help in the state is a top priority that I believe any administration should stand behind. I would be honored to serve as your president for another two years and appreciate your support in this upcoming election.

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A NOTE FROM BOURSE CHAIRMAN

Jim Paicz



Dear ILNA Members,

The 53rd Annual ILNA Fall Show will be here before we know it. Our theme this year will be "Knowledge through Numismatic Books," so be sure to stop by our book display. As you have heard, "Buy the book before the coin," some might be surprised how interesting these books are.

For the first time in a while there will be a general ILNA meeting in conjunction with the show. It will be during the show at 4:00 PM on Friday, September 14th. Remember as members you are invited to participate. Let us know what you think.

As we put the fall coin show together, we like to see our youth numismatists having fun. If you plan on attending our youth auction this year get there early. Let the person at the registration table know that you are participating and they will give you an instruction sheet on how the kids can get extra ILNA Bucks for the auction.

It has been too long since ILNA worked with the Chicago Coin Club on various projects. The two organizations are going to work together to share knowledge. I look forward to this opportunity- we will keep you posted.

On the subject of sharing knowledge, we are always looking for exhibits for the annual fall show. If you or your club is interested in exhibiting at the Fall Show, the registration form can be found at ilnaclub.info or you can call me at 708-670-3469. We can always use volunteers at the show- if you want to help, call or e-mail me at paiczj@aol.com. This will be a great show as we continue to add dealers, seminars and other features that create interest for all collectors whether youth, novice, intermediate or advanced.

Any questions please feel free to contact me.

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John Schikora

This Spring seemed abuzz with coin shows in the Chicago area from monthly shows to annual club shows to the return of Central States once again. This years Central States show held in April at the Schaumburg Convention Center appeared to be pretty active on Thursday and Friday when I attended. ILNA was represented at the show promoting the organization and encouraging prospective members to join. At this time on behalf of ILNA I would like to thank Central States for the complimentary club booth and to all the ILNA members who contributed their time working the booth during the three day convention.

ILNA's membership has grown over the past year and with the addition of new members signing up at Central States the membership is 450 strong. The ILNA Board would like to see that number increase so we ask that any individuals who have an interest in numismatics to consider becoming a member. A one year's membership is \$10 and a two year's is \$18. Joining is easy. A membership application can be found on page 7 in this issue of the *Digest* or you can print a pdf form on the ILNA website at www.ilnaclub.info. Once completed you can send it with your payment to Joyce Paicz at the address located at the bottom of the application. Joyce has done an excellent job updating the ILNA membership since being appointed to the committee two years ago and she will be happy to answer any questions about becoming an ILNA member. You can contact her at paiczj@aol.com.

One of the benefits of becoming an ILNA member is having the privilege to vote in the elections. This year ILNA will have a balloted election. The ballots will be mailed to all regular and life members on August 1, 2012. We ask that all members receiving ballots to please check the candidates of your choice and return the ballots in the accompanying postage paid envelope as soon as possible. The postmark deadline for eligible ballots to be counted in this year's election is August 27, 2012. Remember, as an ILNA member you are responsible for who maintains a position on the board. The list of candidates will be published following my Secretary's Message. Please read them over and vote for your candidates. As always, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me at jschikora@att.net.

Thank you,

John Schikora
ILNA Secretary

ILNA Election 2012

BIOGRAPHIES OF CANDIDATES

SEEKING ELECTION TO ILNA OFFICES



STEVE HARRISON, ILNA Board President (Incumbent)

- ILNA Life Member currently serving as President of the Association
- Previous ILNA service includes Vice President and ten years on the Board of Governors
- Current Member of the Professional Numismatists Guild (PNG)
- Current Member of the Central States Numismatic Society (CSNS)
- Life Member of these numismatic organizations: ANA, FUN, TSNS and GNA

It has been a great honor and privilege to serve as your board president. I am an active coin collector of forty years having been involved in the family coin business for the last 35 years. Participating in national numismatic organizations and attending major coin shows throughout the year presents untold opportunities to observe and implement the best ideas for the growth of numismatics here at home.

I am extremely proud and grateful for the accomplishments of our Board of Governors over the last two years. As the President of ILNA, my goals were to streamline committees within the board and effectively distribute responsibilities among those who serve that they may excel servicing an increasing membership. As a board, we consistently meet the goals we set for ourselves in the best interests of our members. Working together, the ILNA Board of Governors and its officers deliver an impressive state show drawing vendors from across the country. Communication and outreach between the ILNA Board, the membership and member clubs is better today through a modernized internet presence and an improved Coin Digest. With appropriate leadership, I believe this Board has the talent to establish ILNA as a model organization growing numismatics not only at the state, but also at the national level.

If I am chosen to be your President for another term, my goals include establishing easier ways to reach out to our membership. The state of Illinois is a large state, but I believe that everyone can be a part of this board. With the technology available to us, there is no reason we should not be able to have a meeting in Carbondale, Illinois, while someone sitting at their desk in Evanston, Illinois, can be present with us live via the Internet. This way, no matter where a member lives in the state of Illinois, he or she can contribute to our discussions at our annual board meetings. I would also like to see us become more of a green organization, meaning that everyone will have the option to receive our Coin Digest and other notifications online. Another goal of mine is to unite and collaborate with all other coin clubs and organizations in the state of Illinois— not just the larger clubs such as Central States or Chicago Coin Club— even the smallest numismatic organizations. As a state, we have a vast amount of numismatic knowledge within these coin clubs and it would be much better to effectively work together sharing and growing our historically interesting and significant hobby. Pursuing these changes— efficiency, unity, inclusion and enhanced communication should help us to achieve the growth we are looking for as an organization within our state and within our hobby.

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MICHAEL DORAN. Candidate for ILNA President

My name is Michael Doran, and I am a candidate for ILNA President. I currently reside in Charleston, IL. I am the owner of Doran Coins, and have been involved in numismatics for over 25 years. For the past 2 years I have been the President of the Mattoon Coin Club in Mattoon, IL. I am a Life Member of the ANA and ILNA, and belong to several coin clubs in our state.

I was a Member of the ILNA Board for 7 years (1995-2002), and Secretary for 8 years (2002-2010). I feel that my 15 years of service to ILNA and to the local clubs makes me more than qualified to be President. If elected, I will put the interests of all of the members of ILNA - in all parts of our state - young and old, first. I feel that as possibly the only candidate from Downstate Illinois, I would return our ILNA to being a truly state organization representing the numismatists of Illinois. More information about my campaign and platform can be found at www.doranforilna2012.com.

When you're ready to vote, please vote for me, Michael Doran, for ILNA President. Thank you & God Bless.

ANDREW REIBER, Current ILNA Board Vice President

I started collecting coins at six years age and have collected most of my life. Currently I collect coin jewelry, exnumia and box coins. I have been a member of ILNA board for twelve years and vice president for the last year. During my time on the board I started the library book program. Last year I founded the National Numismatic Leader Group, a not-for-profit organization aimed at helping coin clubs communicate information and ideas with each other.

JOHN SCHIKORA, Current Office of Secretary

I am seeking reelection to serve another term as ILNA Secretary. I have been an ILNA Board Member four years and held the Office of Secretary for the past two. I am a lifetime member with ILNA, ANA and Central States Numismatic Society.

As in the past my objective is to maintain the Secretary's office, work with the Board to keep ILNA moving in a positive direction and most importantly, to serve the membership. With your support I look forward to continue to serve ILNA. Thank you for your consideration.

WILLIAM A. BURD, Current ILNA Treasurer

My name is William A. Burd and I am seeking election to position of Treasurer for ILNA. I was elected to the ILNA Board in 2005 and appointed to my current position as Treasurer in 2008.

I am president of Chicago Coin Company, Inc., which I started in 1995. Prior to that I worked 15 years for a local Chicago dealer. I am a member of PNG, a life member of ANA, ANS and ILNA. I am past Board member and current Archivist for the Chicago Coin Club. I am also a member of numerous other associations.

I collect numismatic books. My library consists of over 3,000 books and several thousand catalogs, periodicals and ephemera covering US coins, ancient coins, currency, medals, tokens, banking and finance and exnumia. The library is available for use by any club member interested in doing research or simply wishing to look up information on a particular item.

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Participating in national numismatic organizations and attending major coin shows throughout the year presents untold opportunities to observe and implement the best ideas for the growth of numismatics here at home. Please support me in my re-election campaign to remain as President of the Illinois Numismatic Association for one more two-year term. I would be honored to serve you and keep our organization going forward.

STEVE HARRISON, ILNA BOARD PRESIDENT

"Biographies" continued from page 12.

JIM PAICZ, Board of Governors and Current Bourse Chairman

I am running for re-election for Governor. As the Fall Convention Bourse Chairman, I would like the opportunity to continue keeping other numismatists educated with changing laws and procedures in regards to precious metals relating to coins. Through seminars we have offered as part of our Fall Shows, we have been able to greatly improve ILNA's outreach in these areas. During my service on the Board, I have been able to bring the ILNA Fall Coin Show into compliance.

If you like the improvements made to the ILNA Fall Show and believe I am doing a good job, your vote is appreciated.

TIMOTHY GUEST, Board of Governors and Current Digest Editor

Tim's biography in pursuit of his first term on the ILNA Board of Governors was largely a tribute to his family in developing his interest in numismatics.

From the biography submitted in Spring of 2010:

Tim cites both his Grandmothers, his Grandfather and his Dad as his early influences in the hobby: "My first Seated Liberty type coins came from Grandma Marge and my first Morgan Dollar was an 1896-P my Dad was using as a key chain at the time." His best business relationship was with the old Daru Coins (now Chicago Coin Company). "I loved that store. They were the first people to extend credit to me when I bought my first Seated Liberty Half— an original Very Fine 1875-P which I still own today— as a layaway purchase."

His family enabled his growth in numismatics by providing an understanding of value and proper research: "I truly appreciate the ILNA theme of knowledge thru numismatics. The last time I submitted a bio to the ILNA membership, I noted several prominent numismatists as important influences. But today, I should especially credit my friends Casey and Andy who continue to be excellent mentors and colleagues. There is always something to learn."

Tim enjoys the historical aspects of coins— whether involving die varieties or controversial fare such as the 1922 "Plain" Lincoln Cent or the discovery of uncirculated bags of 1903-O dollars during the early 1960's in U.S. Treasury vaults: "The most interesting coins have a good back-story, unusual feature or certain appeal that draws us to them," Tim states.

Previous career experience in print graphic design became Tim's greatest contribution to the ILNA membership when he was appointed Editor of the ILNA *Coin Digest* upon election to the ILNA Board of Governors in 2010. "As a team under the direction of Steve Harrison and Andrew Reiber, our Board is extending its best by using the improved *Digest* format to provide more meaningful communications with our members."

Besides modernizing the feel and content, *Digest* upgrades include an emphasis on youth numismatics as well as offering a platform for members who desire to be published. "We welcome any submissions that would be beneficial to our members in keeping with ILNA's long-standing theme of knowledge thru numismatics." Tim further relates, "As an organization, ILNA is focused on doing whatever we can to improve numismatics locally, statewide and hopefully across our nation."

Should you wish to retain Tim Guest on the ILNA Board of Governors and continue as the ILNA *Coin Digest* Editor, please remember to vote for him in this election.

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Why should you elect Michael Doran for President of the Illinois Numismatic Association?

There are many reasons— here are some of them.

- In the 15 years on the ILNA Board, Michael Doran has attended every Board Meeting AND has attended every ILNA Convention since 1995.

- Michael Doran was present at the 2003 Illinois State Quarter, 2009 Lincoln Bicentennial (Illinois) Cent, & 2010 Lincoln Shield Cent ceremonies.

- Michael Doran believes that clubs are an essential part of the growth of the numismatic hobby, which is why, not only does he belong to several in our state, but is also President of one of them, that being the Mattoon Coin Club. And let's not forget that he is a Life Member of both the ANA and ILNA.

- During his 8 years as Secretary, Michael has maintained his office with efficiency and commitment to service. If elected as President, he will apply those same principles to that office as well.

- Michael Doran believes in a "Pro-Hobby" policy, which means that the interests of all Illinois numismatists, young and old, in all 102 Illinois counties, will come first, not last!



"This Summer, let's stand up for real change in the leadership of ILNA. Please elect me as your President. And if you want to learn more about me and my campaign, I have a site on the Internet at www.doranforilna2012.com. Thank you and God Bless."



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BRIAN HEIL, Current Board of Governors

I have always maintained my interest in coin collecting since I was six years old. Perhaps my strong interest in history is the key for this. I have been a member of the ANA since 1974, and a life member for over twenty years. I also have life memberships in ILNA and CSNS. I'm a graduate of the University of Illinois at Chicago with a degree in Business Management. I have been active with local coin shows since 1974— always trying to help with young numismatists.

A strong interest in numismatics has directed me to a career in this great field. I have worked for Larry Whitlow in the late 1970s and with the late John G. Ross in Chicago. I have worked for the international law firm of Kirkland and Ellis, LLC since 1989 in downtown Chicago. In 1989 I also opened my coin firm Brian Andrew & Associates downtown. Being active in coins gives me an excellent perspective for our hobby. I serve as the official appraiser for The Office of the Public Guardian of Cook County. I have been performing this duty for fifteen years.

It has been an honor to serve my first term on the ILNA Board of Governors. I look forward to continue serving in the future. All members of the board have been working hard to make ILNA the best state organization possible. Your vote in the upcoming election would be appreciated.

KEVIN TIMMONS, New Candidate, Board of Governors

I am originally from Ohio, where I graduated from High School in 1974. Later, I went back to school and finished college in 2003 with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration with emphasis on international business, business law, marketing and management. I have lived in Zion, IL for more than 22 years.

In 2010, I retired from Nuclear Power Plant maintenance and construction after a 35 year career. I was a Quality Assurance Manager for most of that career. I managed budgets of \$1MM+ annually for several employers.

I have been a coin collector/dealer for more than 45 years and never wandered far from my hobby. I also love fishing, shooting and wood working. I am founder and owner of Harbor Coin Company, for 9+ years and counting. My wife of 36 years and I run the day to day operations of the company with help from all three of our children. Harbor Coin has two locations in Illinois.

I am a member of the ANA, FUN, ILNA, Lake County Coin Club and a few other organizations related to the coin/bullion business such as ICTA and am a, PCGS and NGC Authorized Dealer.

RICHARD PROUTY, Current Board of Governors

Hello, my name is Richard Prouty and I am a current ILNA Governor seeking reelection for another term on the board. My interest in coin collecting started when I was 12 years old working the school ice cream stand. A fellow coworker/student showed me his Mercury Dime collection which I later purchased. Afterwards my interests expanded to Lincoln Cents, Buffalo Nickels, Morgan Dollars and Die Varieties. I currently work as a computer programmer and in my employment have written programs for AT&T, NASA, ACT and wrote a program as part of a major contract (over \$100 million) for the FAA. I am a member of the ANA, Treasurer of the Champaign-Urbana Coin and Currency Club, Auctioneer of the Bloomington Coin Club and a Life Member of ILNA and the Springfield Coin Club. If reelected I plan to work with the board in keeping the organization one that promotes numismatics within its membership and helping educate the YN members of ILNA.

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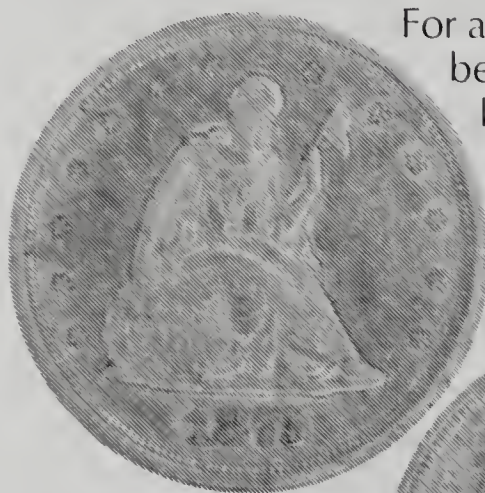


THE (ALMOST) UNCOLLECTIBLE TWENTY CENT PIECE

BY MARK BENVENUTO



This year will be remembered by plenty of collectors as the year in which the Presidential Dollars series went the way of the dinosaurs. Sure, there are still some made for those of us in the collecting community, but the idea of a golden-colored dollar taking over for the venerable dollar bill has again been sidetracked. It's hard to think of another coin that got less use by the public, but there is one. It's the short-lived, none-too-loved, twenty-cent piece.



The 1875-S in AU. It's amazing how a coin born of "excess Comstock" silver and rejected by the public has appreciated so well as a collectable coin!



For a coin that was issued for so short a time, there has been quite a bit written about the twenty-cent piece.

Plenty of people have commented that the coin was conceived of as a way to put excess silver from the Comstock Lode to good use. While many authors who claim this may just be parroting the words of someone who wrote before them,

this claim does at least make sense. More recently, it has

been claimed that this new denomination was made as a sort of competitor to the French franc, which was one of the major coins of the day. That too is conceivable, although the argument could just as easily

be made that British coins were

the internationally accepted coins

of their day. Certainly, British sovereigns were gold

pieces that were minted at several cities throughout the world at the latter half of the nineteenth century, and used almost everywhere that Britain had some influence. France was a big player on the world stage, but one can argue that a coin designed to compete with theirs was one designed to compete with the silver medalists, as it were. But whatever the reason, or combination of reasons, the United States twenty-cent piece came flowing out of three Mints in 1875. The west coast branch Mint at San Francisco led the charge with 1,155,000 of them. The smaller Carson City, Nevada Mint put out 133,290 of them. And, believe it or not, the main Mint in Philadelphia trailed a distant third, with 36,910 of these new coins, including 2,790 proofs.

Now, all in all, there were a lot of twenty-cent pieces when these horses left the gate. Today the 1875-S remains the coin that collectors will add to their collection, especially if they are seeking just one coin for a type set. After all, it is simply the only one we can refer to as a common date.

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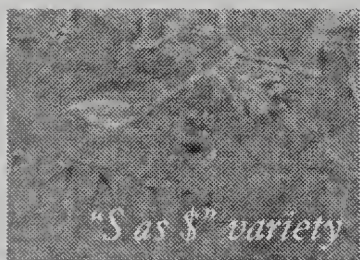
"Twenty Cent Piece" continued from page 18.

By 1876, apparently the twenty-cent piece was pegged and noted as a dud. San Francisco was out of the game, and did not produce any. Philly chipped in 14,640, including 1,260 proofs. Carson City ponied up 10,000 of these new silver pieces, but apparently melted almost all of them down shortly after. Today there are estimates that 15 to 20 of these CC rarities survive; and they always command some serious attention at auctions.



For whatever reason, the dies for all the twenty-cent pieces weren't simply thrown out, and in 1877 and then again in 1878, several hundred proofs were made in Philadelphia, as the end note to a short and under-loved coin. And that, one might think, is that.

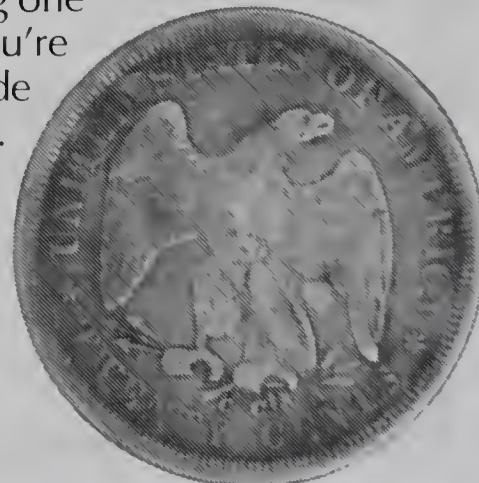
There is however, a bit more to the story than what we have just said. It may be hard to find twenty-cent pieces today, and it may be even harder to find aficionados of them. But someone out there has been looking very closely at these coins, and has uncovered enough varieties that they have crept into some of the price guides. Specifically, there appear to be several 1875-S varieties from which to choose. There is a clear S. There is also a variety called the "over horizontal S," at least according to the folks at Krause Publications who produce "Coin Prices." There is also a variety known as "S as \$." That's really rather a lot of varieties for a single Mint and a single year. This is the sort of thing that is seen more often in early U.S. coinage, those coins from the 1790's. But there we have it, three varieties of the most common of the twenty-cent pieces.



Now, we can hardly imagine that three varieties will make one of the least thought of coins in our nation's history into a hot collectible. But when one considers that even a well-heeled collector probably has to satisfy himself or herself with an 1875-S, an 1875-CC, and possibly a proof, if they were lucky enough to snare one at auction, having some varieties to flesh out a collection is probably a good thing.

If you have never thought seriously about the short-lived United States twenty-cent piece and adding one or two to your own collection, don't worry. You're not alone. Most collectors probably give this a wide berth. But there are a few possibilities out there. Go ahead and take a look.

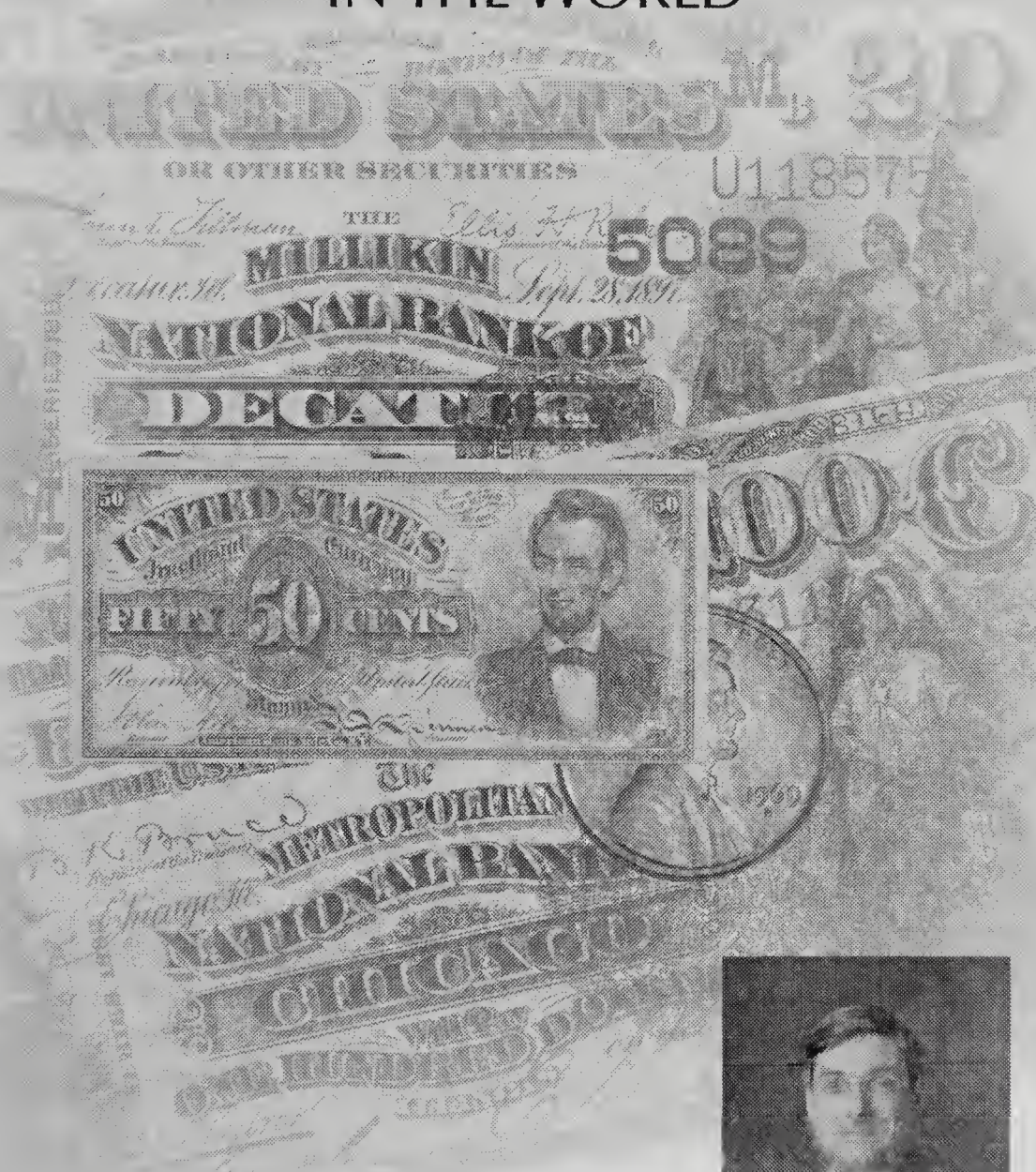
Editor's Note: *We were very excited to receive Mark Benvenuto's informative and entertaining article on the Twenty Cent Piece. Thank you very much, Mark. For more on the Twenty Cent Piece, "A Second Look" can be found on page 24.*



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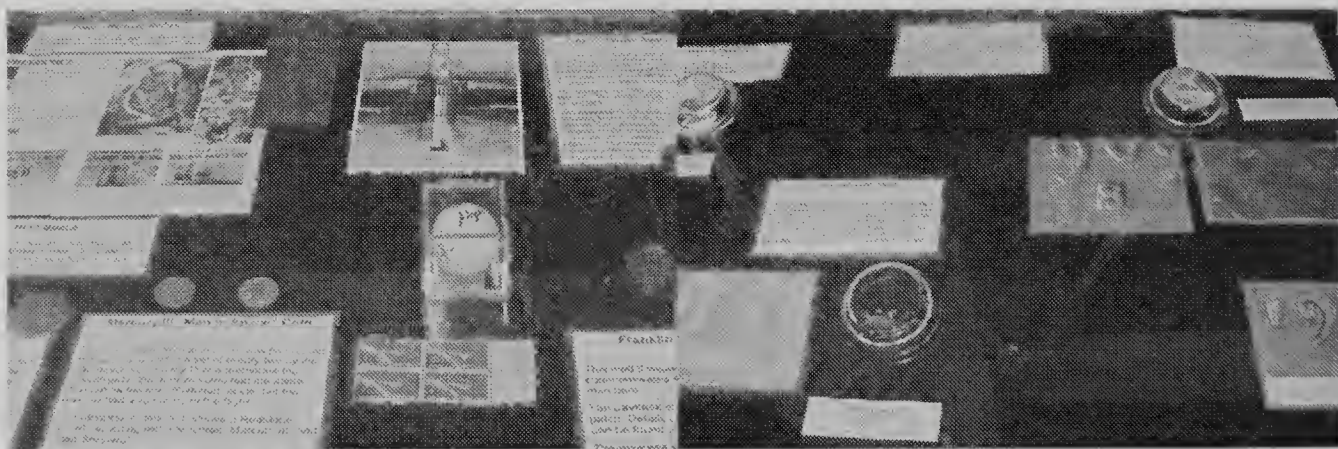


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RECAPPING THE ILNA SHOW, 2011 AND WHY YOU SHOULD BE AT ILNA 2012

If you weren't able to come to the last ILNA Fall Show, you really missed out on a lot of fun and cool stuff. There were a lot of vendors with everything from world coins to U.S. coins and currency to bullion. I had a blast looking at stuff and buying a little too much. I was mainly in the market for uncirculated wheat pennies from 1920 to 1933. I was looking for toned wheat cents also. You would be surprised what you'll run across at these shows because I found almost everything I was looking for. Probably my favorite coin that I bought at that show was a 1929-D penny that had a partial blue toned reverse. Also at that show, I presented an exhibit on counterfeit coins and one on medals and coins made to commemorate the flights of astronaut Alan Shepard.



Some pictures of Nate Murphy's exhibits from the 2011 ILNA Fall Convention.

I strongly urge anyone to make an exhibit because you will learn so much about the material that you are exhibiting. In a previous issue, I have written some guides to exhibiting and there is a link to a website that has some useful information on the topic. Here is an excerpt from the Spring, 2011 *Digest*:

...an exhibit is something that has coins in it to display but also has information in it as well. First, you need to pick a topic. Just think, what is a particular area of coins that you like or would like to specialize in? There are a lot of things people have exhibited in the past. They have exhibited American coins, world coins, paper money, tokens and medals, numismatic literature, gold coins, elongated coins, errors, and the convention theme (2012: Knowledge Thru Numismatic Books). You don't have to be an expert in what you are going to exhibit in the beginning, but in the end you should know a lot. Also, don't make the mistake of focusing too much on your coins and not enough on your information, because if a person walks by your exhibit and they see the coin but no information, it's just a coin to them. To me, I would say that the most important part of your exhibit is the information. Another thing (believe

it or not) that can contribute to a winning exhibit is color coordination. You might want colors to attract viewers, but don't go overboard. Other things that can be judged are creativity, balance (the numismatic material and the numismatic information should be balanced), degree of difficulty, and condition (of the numismatic material). For a more complete guide on exhibiting at a coin show go to www.money.org. At the top of the page, scroll over "Numismatic Events" and click on "Convention Exhibits."

www.money.org/events/convention-exhibits

Even if you don't have the coins, sometimes a dealer might let you display some of his coins. You have to plan in advance and manage your time to get an exhibit done, though. It does take a lot of hard work, but the knowledge gained is well worth it. If you want to exhibit or have any questions you can contact me (njm2015@gmail.com) or the Fall Show's organizer and Bourse Chairman, Jim Paicz (paiczj@aol.com or phone: (708) 670-3469). *

Editor's Reminder: *ILNA scholarships are available for summer ANA Seminar Courses. The seminars are scheduled for June 23rd through the 29th and June 30th through July 6th. All age groups are welcome to apply for some financial assistance. For more information on how you might obtain an ILNA ANA summer seminar scholarship, talk to any ILNA board member or visit www.ilnaclub.info for contact information.*

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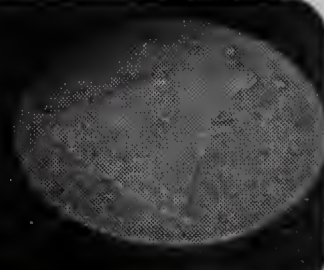
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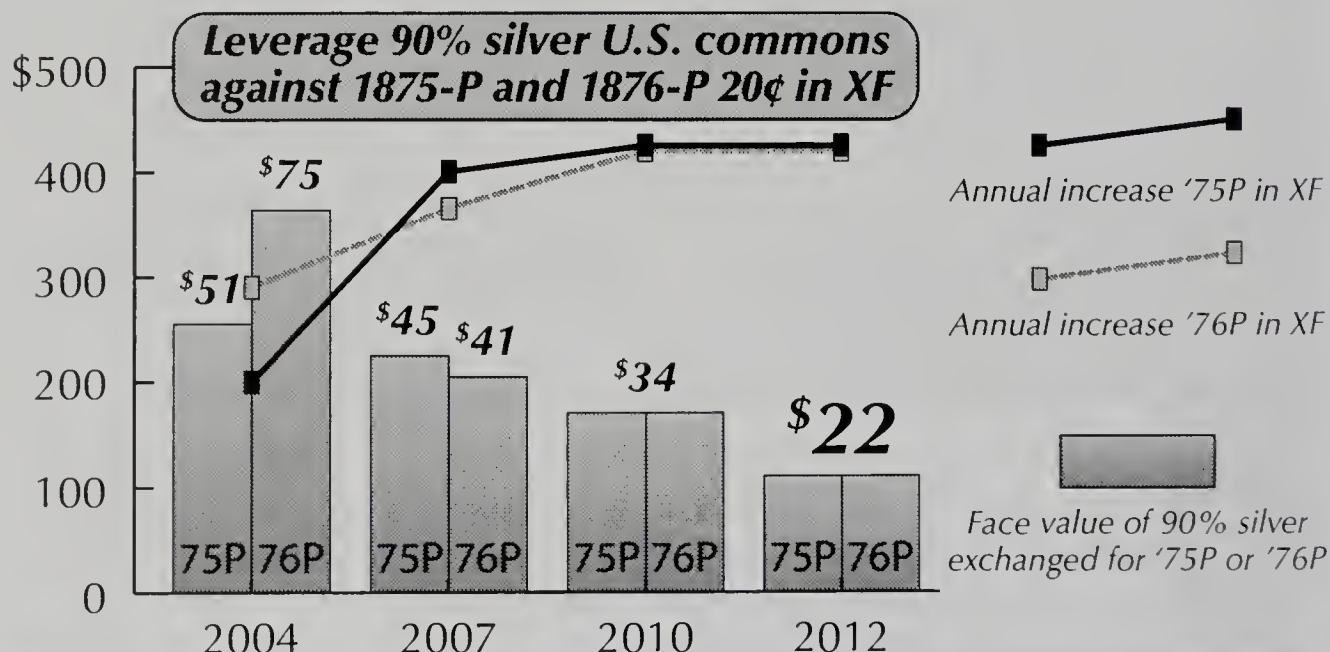


THE TWENTY CENT PIECE: A SECOND LOOK

BY TIMOTHY GUEST



Reviewing current information on the U.S. Twenty Cent Piece adds to the engaging study of a coin rejected by the public in its day. In a move not consistent with other coinage of the period, San Francisco in a single year manufactured more pieces than all other mintage combined for this single type. Wierder still, Carson City outproduced the Philadelphia mint by a factor greater than two to one for this issue. For many numismatists— whether hobbyists or dealers— how the story translates to an assessment of scarcity and value shapes the priority of future purchases. In reprising a theme from the last *Digest*, the graph below demonstrates the buying power of 90% U.S. silver coins in the context of a straight trade for quality key and semi-key date coins. Two scarce business strikes, the 1875-P and 1876-P U.S. Twenty Cent coins with mintages of 36,910 and 14,640 respectively, become our *leverage* coins of this issue.



Left: An 1875-P in original XF45 in keeping with the above example. Some notes about grading the Twenty Cent Piece:

Unlike other Seated Liberty coins, LIBERTY on the scroll is raised rather than incuse. It is a high point and more subject to wear. Because of this, a twenty cent grading Fine will be missing letters of LIBERTY. A Very Fine will have full LIBERTY showing some wear with detail visible in Liberty's hair and complete gown line at her breast. An Extra Fine will show LIBERTY sharp with raised scroll edges. In addition, the shoulder clasp and cap will be strong with definition visible between Liberty's gown and leg at the foot. Mint luster may be present. Star centers will be visible except on weakly struck examples. It is normal for eagle's breast feathers to be weakly struck. Greater definition improves the possibility of a higher split or plus grade.

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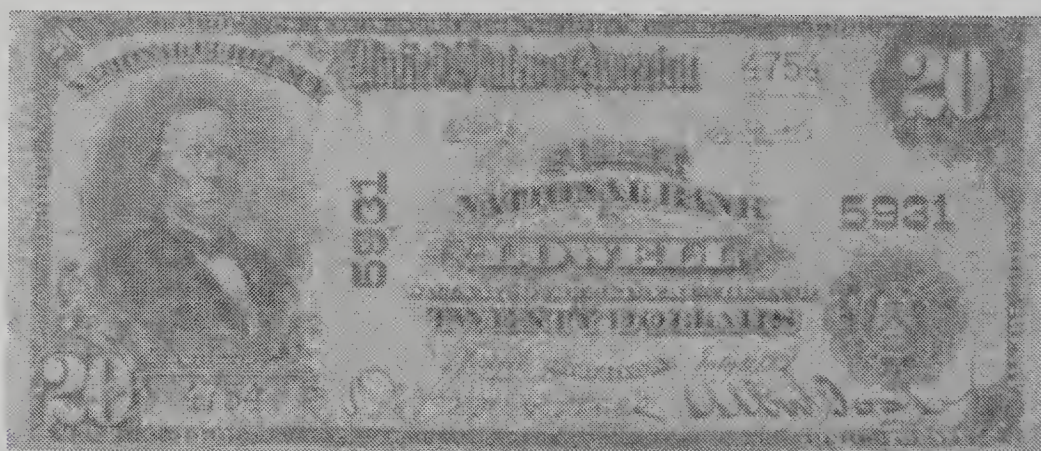
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PNG STATEMENT ON COIN DOCTORING

COMMENTARY BY STEVE HARRISON

Coinciding with the Central States Show in Schaumburg April 18-21, the Professional Numismatists Guild (PNG) voted in a general meeting of its membership to accept the following definition of coin doctoring. Steve's comments follow.

Coin doctoring refers to the alteration of any portion of a coin, when that process includes any of the following:

1) Movement, addition to, or otherwise altering of metal, so that a coin appears to be in a better state of preservation, or more valuable than it otherwise would be. A few examples are plugging, whizzing, polishing, engraving, "lasering" and adding or removing mint marks.

2) Addition of any substance to a coin so that it appears to be in a better state of preservation or more valuable than it otherwise would be. The use of solvents and/or commercially available dilute acids, such as Jeweluster, by qualified professionals is not considered coin doctoring.

3) Intentional exposure of a coin to any chemicals, substances, or processes which impart toning, such that the coin appears to be in a better state of preservation or more valuable than it otherwise would be. Naturally occurring toning imparted during long-term storage using established/traditional methods, such as coin albums, rolls, flips, or envelopes, does not constitute coin doctoring.

I was fortunate to be one of the PNG attendees at our April 17th meeting prior to the beginning of the Central States Coin Show. At that meeting, a vote was taken to accept a new definition for coin doctoring. I voted in favor of this new definition and am pleased to announce that it was passed by a vote of 58-1.

Growing up in the coin industry where sometimes even basic publications told you how to properly clean and dip a coin has led to confusing debate and reinterpretation. NGC has a department called Numismatic Conservation Services (NCS), which in their words has a proper way to conserve a coin. Who is to say what they do now is correct or what we did in the 1970's, 80's, and 90's was correct? PNG took the lead and set forth guidelines going forward on what would be considered coin doctoring. I am very glad I am directly involved with an organization that can take the lead on making this decision. I believe the new guidelines are very fair—especially in protecting the consumer as far as misleading the appearance of a coin. The public needs to be aware that we are looking out on their behalf not to mislead them, but also to understand that the way coins were preserved ten or fifteen years ago does not make them intentionally altered coins today.

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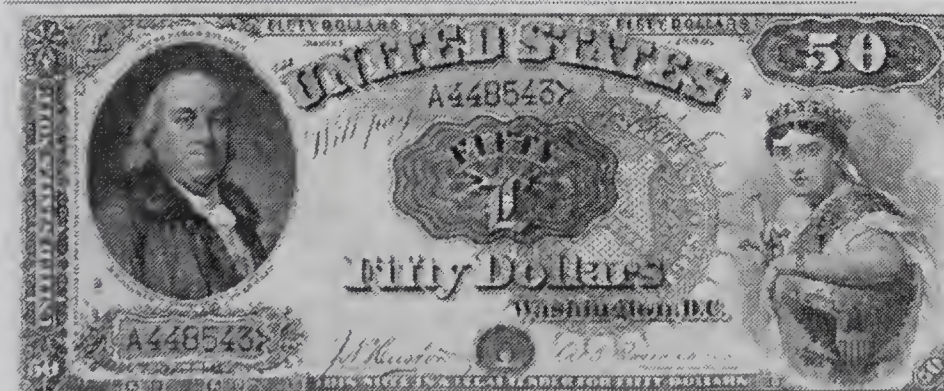
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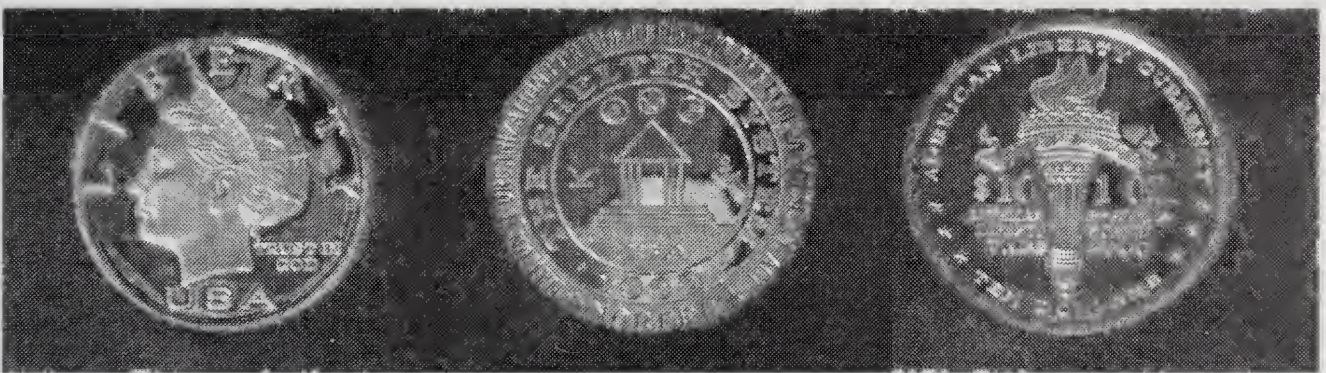
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Board Meeting Minutes

YOUR ILNA COIN CLUB BUSINESS

FROM ILNA SECRETARY JOHN SCHIKORA

The ILNA Spring, 2012 Board Meeting was held at the Quality Inn, Bradley, Illinois on Sunday, May 20th, 2012.

ROLL CALL

President Steve Harrison called the meeting to order at 3:05pm. Also in attendance were Secretary John Schikora, Treasurer Bill Burd, Chairman of the Board Steve Butler, Governors Jim Paicz, Richard Prouty, Tim Guest and Joyce Paicz. Vice President Andrew Reiber was in attendance via internet Skype. Brian Jaskierski and Brian Heil arrived at 3:23pm. There were two guests present, Michael Doran and Eugene Freeman.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Steve Harrison asked the board for approval of the minutes from the February 26, 2012 meeting which were e-mailed March 5, 2012. Bill Burd made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Jim Paicz, passed unanimously. Harrison stated he wants all board members to contribute writing articles for the *Digest*. Tim Guest added article contribution would help promote growth throughout the organization. Harrison also suggested making the *Digest* available in a PDF format for members wishing to receive the *Digest* via e-mail. The board was informed a discount printing card is being finalized for use at Office Max, once complete it can be used by any board member. Harrison mentioned he attended a meeting of the Chicago Coin Club and would like ILNA to work more closely with them. He also suggested that ILNA members attend a meeting and consider becoming a member. At this year's ILNA convention Harrison said he would like to have an open board meeting which would allow individuals attending the show to sit in. After discussion the board decided on Friday September 14, 2012 at 4:00pm to hold the meeting which will be held on the bourse floor. Lastly, Harrison announced to the board he would be seeking another term as ILNA President.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

John Schikora informed the board there will be a balloted election this year. The board will vote on an independent accounting firm to handle the election ballots and report the results to ILNA. Schikora said one firm has responded and is waiting for replies from two others. Ballots will be mailed to all regular and life members of ILNA. The ballot mailing date will be August 1, 2012 and the postmark deadline date for returned ballots is August 27, 2012. All ballots postmarked after the deadline date will remain unopened and subsequently shredded. The accounting firm will report the results to ILNA by September 12, 2012 along with all counted ballots. Upon receipt of the ballots, the election committee will count the ballots to confirm their results correlate with the accounting firms. Richard Prouty made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Bill Burd, passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bill Burd presented the financial report for January 1 through April 30, 2012. The January 1st balance was \$87,886 with additional revenue of \$6753 and expenses of \$2937 leaving an April 30th balance of \$91,702. Brian Jaskierski made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Tim Guest, passed unanimously.

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DIGEST EDITOR'S REPORT

Tim Guest stated he has an article by an ILNA member discussing the United States 20 cent piece which will be published in the summer *Digest*. Guest also suggested an article be written about the Professional Numismatic Guild and their recently published rules defining coin doctoring. Since Steve Harrison is a recently elected PNG Dealer Guest asked Harrison if he would like to help write an article, Harrison agreed. Guest also added that any articles submitted by ILNA members for publication would be greatly appreciated.

LIBRARY BOOK REPORT

Andrew Reiber stated there enough books on hand for distribution to 48 libraries this year. Reiber said he would check with Whitman Publishing to see if he could get a discount rate on the red book. Bill Burd added ILNA has seven different book titles on hand for distribution and also suggested Reiber check on the ANA Grading Guide for a discount purchase. Burd and Reiber will also write an article for the show *Digest* about the ILNA Library Book Program.

NATIONAL NUMISMATIC LEADERS

Jim Paicz and Andrew Reiber are set up as administrators on the National Numismatic Leaders website which is NNLC.com. As administrators they will help enroll prospective members and begin accepting applications in June 2012.

BOURSE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

ILNA member Eugene Freeman presented the board a proposal for a merit badge activity patch to be held in conjunction with the ANA's 2013-2015 conventions. This patch would be awarded to scouts who attend the ANA convention and perform a list of requirements. The activity patch would be updated each year the individual scout attends and completes the list of requirements. The "Scouting at the ANA" program was approved at the ANA; however, they will not fund it.

Mr. Freeman asked if ILNA would consider funding the program. After discussion the board agreed the program was a good idea and asked Mr. Freeman to submit a cost proposal for the board to review and decide upon. Jim Paicz suggested having Young Numismatist meetings at ILNA conventions each year to help build the organization. He also informed the board the 2012 show theme is "Knowledge through Numismatic Books" suggested by Bill Burd. Paicz said he talked with Chicago Coin Club Secretary Carl Wolf who would like to do a seminar covering beginning coin collecting and present it annually at the ILNA show. Morrison Security informed ILNA they will use mirrors to check underneath dealer vehicles for planted GPS devices. Paicz said he will check with Morrison about using an electronic device for easier GPS detection.

Paicz informed the board that Consumer Cellular offers AARP members a free cell phone with 100 minutes for a \$35 activation fee and a \$10 monthly fee. He recommended purchasing the phone for use at the coin shows held in Tinley Park. The costs will be charged one third to ILNA and two thirds to Greater Chicago Coin and Currency. After discussion the board approved the purchase. The costs of the 2012 show are convention center rental \$17,500, electrical \$500 and concession stand \$400. Paicz addressed the board concerning the concession stand cost with the dealer food coupon dollars. He stated if the coupon dollars were to continue, the dealer table rates would have to be increased to cover rising convention center costs. After discussion Bill Burd made a motion to discontinue the dealer food

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coupon dollars, seconded by Brian Heil, passed unanimously except for Tim Guest who abstained. Bill Burd then motioned to keep dealer table rates unchanged for the 2013 show, seconded by Jim Paicz, passed unanimously.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Joyce Paicz reported ILNA currently has 450 members consisting of 207 regular, 119 life, 23 club and 101 youth. 38 members were dismissed for non payment of dues while over the past year and a half 137 new members enrolled.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board went into executive session from 4:58pm to 5:03pm at which time Michael Doran excused himself.

OLD BUSINESS

Steve Harrison asked the board to vote on Bruce Perdue to fill a board vacancy. After a vote was taken Mr. Perdue received a majority vote to fill a vacant board seat.

NEW BUSINESS

Steve Harrison informed the board the next meeting will be July 22, 2012 in Springfield, Illinois at the Northfield Inn at 2:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:19pm Richard Prouty made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bill Burd, passed unanimously.

Submitted by ILNA Secretary John Schikora

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Sunday, July 22, 2012

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LOCAL SHOWS

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July 22, (Sunday) Central Illinois Numismatic Association Annual Summer Show– Springfield, IL. Location: Northfield Center I, Northfield Drive and Dirksen Parkway (3280 Northfield Drive) Springfield, IL. Tables: 70, Fee: \$60, Admission: \$1 C.I.N.A. Members and children 16 and under are free. Contact Steve Soltys at (217) 793-2178.

September 2, (Sunday) Peotone Coin & Currency Show, 9 AM to 3 PM Location: Will County Fair Grounds (The Atrium) 710 West St., Peotone, IL 60468 Tables: 50 Admission: Free, Contact: Jim Paicz, PO Box 628, Richton Park, IL 60471 Phone: (708) 670-3469.

September 13-15, ILNA's 53rd Annual Coin and Currency Show– Tinley Park, IL. Location: Holiday Inn - Tinley Park Convention Center, 18501 S. Harlem Ave., Tinley Park, IL 60477. 220 Dealer Tables starting at only \$225, Early Bird Badges: \$45. Admission: Free. General ILNA members meeting held in conjunction with the show Friday at 4 PM. Informational Seminars and Youth Auction to be held Saturday, September 15th. Dealers Contact: Bourse Chairman Jim Paicz, P.O. Box 628, Richton Park, IL 60471. Email: paiczj@aol.com or Phone (708) 670-3469. Visit Illinois Numismatic Association website for updates at www.ilnaclub.info.

August 5 (Sunday), Tazewell Numismatic Society 14th Summer Coin Show, 9 AM to 3 PM, Pekin, IL. Location: Pekin Moose Lodge, 2605 Broadway Rd., Pekin, IL Tables: 60, Fee: \$50, Admission: Free. Contact: Steve Rassi, PO Box 696, Pekin, IL. 61554 Phone: (309) 263-0739.

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August 19 (Sunday), Indian Hill Coin Club Coin Show— Lake Villa, IL. Location: Lake Villa Township Community Center, 37850 N. Route 59, just south of Grand Ave., Lake Villa, IL. 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. Tables: 35. Admission: Free. Contact: Mike Hanninen, 2400 Horeb Ave., Zion, IL 60099. Phone: (847) 872-2725. E-mail: mikehanninen@aol.com.

September 23 (Sunday), Tazewell Numismatic Society 52nd Annual Coin Show, 9 AM to 4 PM, Pekin, IL. Location: Pekin Moose Lodge, 2605 Broadway Rd., Pekin, IL. Tables: 60, Fee: \$50, Admission: Free. Contact: Steve Rassi, PO Box 696, Pekin, IL. 61554 Phone: (309) 263-0739.

October 14 (Sunday), Fairfield Coin Club 42nd Annual Coin Show— Fairfield, IL from 9AM to 4PM. Location: North Side Grade School, 806 North First Street Fairfield, IL, 62837. Tables: \$25; Admission is free. 20 dealers to serve you. Club awards presentation, hourly door prizes and raffle drawing. Public and youth auctions held in conjunction with the show. For more information, contact Roberta Marshel, Treasurer/Secretary, (618)-599-2393, or fairfieldcoinclub@gmail.com.

October 28 (Sunday), Dixon Coin Club 2012 Coin Show— Location: 1560 Franklin Grove Rd. (IL Rte 38), Dixon, IL 61021. 50 Tables, Fee: \$45 for the 1st, \$25 ea. additional; Tables are 6 Ft., Dealer Setup: 7AM. Admission is free 9AM to 4PM. Contact Jerry Bartlett, 27015 Maple Dr., Sterling, IL 61081. Phone: (815) 535-8427, Email: jbartlett@thewisp.net.

October 28 (Sunday), Indian Hill Coin Club Coin Show— Gurnee, IL. Location: American Legion Post 771, 749 Milwaukee Ave., Gurnee, IL. 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. Tables: 21. Admission: Free. Contact: Mike Hanninen, 2400 Horeb Ave., Zion, IL 60099. Phone: (847) 872-2725. E-mail: mikehanninen@aol.com. *

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Champaign-Urbana Coin and Currency Club. Meetings: First Monday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Urbana Civic Center, 108 Water St., Urbana, Illinois. Information: Clyde Sweet, P.O. Box 1021, Champaign, IL, 61824. Phone: 217-840-2526, email: cwsweet3@msn.com.

Chicago Coin Club. Meetings: Second Wednesday of each month, January thru November, 6:45 P.M. at Chicago Bar Association Building, 321 S. Plymouth Court, Chicago, IL 60604 and The Chicago Coin Club holds meetings at several coin and paper money shows. Information: Chicago Coin Club, P.O. Box 2301, Chicago, IL. 60690. Phone 773-878-8979 or email Carl Wolf at carlwolfco@msn.com.

Club of Illinois Numismatists (C.O.I.N.S. Club). Meetings: Second Thursday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Hazel Crest Park District Community Center, 2600 West 171st Street, Hazel Crest, IL. Information: (Mailing address) C.O.I.N.S. Club, P.O. Box 849, Hazel Crest, IL, 60429.

Corn Belt Coin Club. Meetings: First Tuesday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Bank of Illinois, 200 W. College Ave., Normal, IL. Information: Phone Jeff Stover 309-532-3205.

Danville Coin Club. Meetings: Third Monday of each month, 7:00 P.M. at the Palmer American Bank, Danville, IL. Information: Danville Coin Club, 2816 Baumgart, Danville, IL, 61832. Phone 217-443-6942.

Dixon Coin Club. Meetings: First Tuesday of each month, VFW Post #540, 1560 Franklin Grove Rd., Dixon, IL. 61021. Coin grading at 6:00 P.M. Meeting and auction at 7:00 P.M. Contact Jerry Bartlett, 815-535-8427.

Dupo Coin Club. Meetings: Third Monday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the V.F.W. Hall, 200 N. 5th St., Dupo, IL. Information: Dupo Coin Club, 409 Olympia St, Columbia, IL, 62236. Phone Ron Nowak at 618-281-4875.

Edgar County Coin Club. Meetings: Third Sunday of each month, 2:00 P.M. at the Chamber of Commerce, 105 N. Central, Paris, IL. Information: Pat Brazelton, 1231 N. High St., Paris, IL, 61944. Phone: 217-463-2217. Email: pbraz@joink.com.

Elgin Coin Club. Meetings: First Wednesday of each month, 7:00 P.M. at the Elgin VFW Post at 1601 Weld Road, Elgin, IL. Information: Elgin Coin Club, P.O. Box 561, South Elgin, IL, 60177.

LOCAL CLUBS

Fairfield Coin Club. Meetings: Second Sunday of each Month (Except Sunday of Annual Show), Noon to 3:00 P.M. at Frontier College, (Highway 45-15 West) 2 Frontier Drive, Fairfield, IL. Information: Roberta Marshel R.R.#1 Box 49, Sims, IL, 62886. Phone: 618-599-2393. E-mail: fairfieldcoinclub@gmail.com.

Hillsboro Hiltop Coin Club. Meetings: Last Wednesday of each month, 7:30 P.M. (except July) at the Challacombe House, 509 School St., Hillsboro, IL. Information: Hiltop Coin Club, P.O. Box 23, Benld, IL, 62009. Email: hiltopcc@yahoo.com.

Indian Hill Coin Club. Meetings: Second Wednesday of each month, 8:00 P.M. at the Avon Township Hall, Washington St. in Round Lake Park. Information: Mike Hanninen, 2400 Horeb Ave., Zion, IL, 60099.

Lake County Coin Club. Meetings: First Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. Location is Jester's Lounge, 1500 Lewis Ave, Waukegan, IL. Information: Lake County Coin Club, 2210 Crescent Pl., Waukegan, IL, 60085.

Mattoon Coin Club. Meetings: First Tuesday of each month, 7:30 P.M., Community Room at the Mattoon YMCA, 221 N. 16th St., Mattoon, IL. Contact: Michael Doran, (217) 663-0276, E-mail: mattooncoinclub@yahoo.com.

Metro East Coin & Currency Club. Meetings: Third Tuesday of Sept. thru Nov. and Jan. thru April, 7:00 P.M. Edgemont Bible Church, 5100 N Illinois, Fairview Heights, IL. Information: Metro East Coin & Currency Club, PO Box 23. Belleville, IL, 62222. Phone 618-277-4493.

Oak Forest Numismatic Society. Meetings: First Friday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Bremen Township Hall, 15350 Oak Park Ave., Oak Forest, IL. Information: OFNS, P.O. Box 287, Oak Forest, IL, 60452.

Quad-City Coin Club. Meetings: Third Thursday of each month, 7:30 P.M. at the Garden Center of the Moline Park Board (located off 5th Ave, at 34th St.), Moline, IL. Information: John Brixey, Quad City Coin Club, P.O. Box 332, Moline, IL, 61266.

Rantoul Coin Club. Meetings: Second Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 P.M. Temporarily at the American Lutheran Church, 500 Church Drive, Rantoul, IL, Information: RCC, 203 E. Campbell St., Rantoul, IL, 61866.

Rockford Area Coin Club. Meetings: Third Thursday of each month, 6:00 P.M. at the Loves Park Library, 6340 N. Second St., Loves Park, IL (Just north of Rockford). Information: Don Smith, 100 W. Main, Rockton, IL, 61072, Phone Daytime 815 624-0422.

LOCAL CLUBS

Tazewell Numismatic Society. Meetings: First Thursday of each month at the First United Methodist Church, 1315 Court Street (Across from hospital), Pekin, IL. Time: 7:00 P.M. Information: D. Freidinger, P.O. Box 1203, Pekin, IL 61555-1203. Phone 309-353-6178.

Wat-cha-kee Coin Club. Meetings: Second Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. (No meeting June, July, or August) at First Methodist Church, 304 S. Fourth, Watseka, IL, Information: Phone Kermit Wasmer at 815-432-4636.

Will County Coin Club. Meetings: First Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Plainfield Fire Protection District, 15025 S. Des Plaines Road, Plainfield, Illinois (enter through the side door by the parking lot). Information: Mark Wieclaw, 175 W. Wood St., New Lenox, IL, 60451, or phone 815-485-4137.

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